

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF JASPER

CONTINUATION OF DECLARATION OF DISASTER

WHEREAS, the Jasper County Commissioners Court met in a Regular Session in the Commissioners Courtroom at the Jasper County Courthouse, Jasper, Texas on Tuesday, October 15th, 2024.

WHEREAS, the County of Jasper, Texas, on the 7th day of July, 2024, was in imminent threat of being in the path of a weather event identified as Hurricane Beryl, as described in reports issued by the United States National Weather Service and the Texas State Operations Center, potentially causing widespread injury or loss of life and severe property damage resulting from conditions created by torrential rainfall, major flooding with high speed winds and tornado activity over an excessive period of time in residential, agricultural and commercial areas, as well as major infrastructure damage preventing access to, or the safe passage on, many roadways, as well as the potential for long term countywide electrical power and utility outages. Such conditions have created an imminent public safety hazard that still currently exists.

WHEREAS, the Commissioners Court of Jasper County, Texas, has determined that extraordinary measures must be taken to protect or rehabilitate property, and are necessary and hereby ordered.

WHEREAS, the Commissioners Court of Jasper County, Texas, has further authorized the County Judge of Jasper County, Texas to order or rescind a countywide burn ban as needed to effectively prevent the spread of wildfires due to existing drought conditions and the increased danger of dried storm debris remaining from Hurricane Beryl in rural areas.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF JASPER COUNTY:

- I. That a local state of disaster was declared by the County Judge of Jasper County, Texas, on July 7th, 2024, pursuant to Section 418.108(a) of the Texas Government Code.
- II. Pursuant to Section 418.108(b) of the Texas Government Code, the state of disaster shall continue for a period of not more than 64 days from the date of this declaration unless continued or renewed by the Commissioners Court of Jasper County, Texas.
- III. Pursuant to Section 418.108(c) of the Texas Government Code, this declaration of a local disaster shall be given prompt and general publicity and shall be filed promptly with the Jasper County Clerk.
- IV. Pursuant to Section 418.108(d) of the Texas Government Code, this declaration of a local state of disaster activates the Jasper County Emergency Management Plan.

ORDERED this 15th day of October, 2024.

Mark W. Allen, County Judge

Jasper County, Texas

Attest:

Holly Thomas, County Clerk

Jasper County, Texas

HOLLY THOMAS, COUNTY CLERK JASPER COUNTY, TEXAS

Cherene Webb.

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